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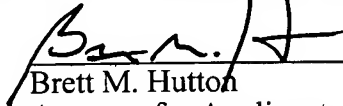
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RESPONSE TO THE FIRST OFFICE ACTION

Dear Sir:

This Response to Office Action is being submitted in reply to the Office Action mailed on August 10, 2005 for the above-referenced patent application. A response to the Office Action was initially due on or before November 10, 2005, and thus, this Response is timely filed.